PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 19 – January 29

The El Campo Police Department is now collecting for "Coats For Kids"... providing say warmth for the children of our community. You can take part by donating any slightly used or new children's coats not being used. Coats may be for a child up to 15 years of age. Please...no money or gift cards. Coat donations may be dropped off at the El Campo Police Department Monday thru Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. now thru the month of January. Families interested in receiving a child's coat may contact Mark Biskup at the El Campo Police Department... for more information, contact Mark by calling 543-5311... and let them know you heard about it here on 96 Country.

December 19 – January 1

During the Holidays the El Campo Aquatic Center will be closed Christmas Eve & Christmas Day and on New Year's Eve & New Year's Day. Otherwise... hours Tuesday thru Friday will be 5:45 a.m. to11 a.m. and 4 to 7 p.m... Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1to 6 p.m. There will be no water aerobics during this time period... and be sure to let them know you heard about it here on 96 Country!

December 9 – December 27

Bring Joy to Your World! Opt to Adopt...SPOT suggests saving the life of a shelter pet this holiday season. SPOT will be in Parking Lot #2 at Wharton County Junior College on Saturdays, December 27th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with an opportunity for you to adopt any cat or dog for just \$25. You are also invited to check out their Adorable Adoptables at WC Spot dot org and for more information, please call Christine at 979-532-1894... and be let them know you heard about it here on 96 Country!

November 17 – December 31

The Jackson Country Chamber of Commerce presents the "Best of Texas Big Buck & Big Hog Contest" going on now thru January 21st. Official contest sites are Ganado Feed & More in Ganado, and Jacobs Animal Health Supply and Jackson County Feed in Edna. For more details and official rules please visit Jackson County Texas dot com... and let them know you heard about it here on 96 Country!

December 15 – January 10

The El Campo Elks Lodge will hold its Annual "Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest" on Saturday, January 10th at 8:30 a.m. in the El Campo High School Ricebird gym. The contest is open to all youngsters 8 to 13 years of age within the 96 Country listening area. There is no entry fee and no pre-registration necessary. Winners will advance to the District competition with all expenses past the local contest to be handled by the Elks Lodge including food, lodging and travel. For more information, please contact George Matthews at 979-543-6675... and don't forget to let them know you head it about it here on 96 Country!

December 15 – March 3

The 2015 Wharton County Youth Fair BBQ Cook-Off will be Friday & Saturday, April 17th & 18th. The deadline for entry is 5 p.m. March 3rd. Entry fee is \$150 per team. Entry forms will be available online at Wharton County Youth Fair dot org or at the fair office beginning December 22nd. Entry fee is non-refundable and no one under 21 may be on a team. The 2015 Colorful Contest will be held Friday, April 17th at 8 p.m. For more information, call the fair office at 979-677-3350 or you may call Sandy after 5 p.m. at 979-257-9383... and be sure to let them know you head it here on 96 Country!

December 9 – TFN

Violence in the family hurts us all. Domestic Violence and Abuse may be physical, emotional and sexual. Abuse effects families, children and society. But there is Hope and Help. The Crisis Center has been providing shelter and support to victims of family violence and sexual assault in Matagorda and Wharton Counties since 1984. If you or someone you know are a victim of Domestic Violence or Abuse, call the 24 Hour Crisis Hotline at 1-800-451-9235... The Crisis Center is a United Way Agency... Creating Hope.

April 9 – TFN

Manna Meals is held on Mondays & Thursdays at New Life Assembly of God Fellowship Hall at 707 Earl Street behind Friendship Park from 5 to 7 p.m. Manna Meals is always free of charge where all are family and all are fed. A place to be fed physically and relationally, regardless of status. Manna Meals is a cooperative service of the Ministerial Alliance Association of El Campo. For more information, please contact Carolyn Mitchell at 979-648-2191... And please let them know you heard about it here on 96 Country.